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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent of

ARAKAWA et al.

Atty. Ref.: 723-985

Patent No. 6,811,492B1

Issued: November 2, 2004

For: PORTABLE GAME SYSTEM AND CAMERA  
ACCESSORY THEREFOR

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November 22, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REQUEST FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

The patentee in the above-identified patent hereby requests that the Patent and Trademark Office issue an official Certificate of Correction pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 for the following mistake.

On the cover page, item (75), Inventors, **Wayne A. Shirk of Bellevue, WA** is not listed.

The error in not listing Wayne A Shirk as the fourth inventor is a USPTO error as demonstrated by the Petition to Correct Inventorship Under 37 CFR 1.48 (a), executed Declaration and Assignment, and Consent of Assignee filed on December 7, 2001 (copy enclosed along with a postcard stamped to evidence receipt of these documents by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on this date).

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Since the error arose on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office, no fee is believed necessary for securing issuance of the Certificate.

Attached hereto is a draft Official Certificate of Correction for use by the Patent and Trademark Office correcting the above-identified matter.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

**NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.**

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO. : 6,811,492 <sup>B1</sup>  
DATED : November 2, 2004  
INVENTOR(S) : Takahashi et al.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said letters patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page, item (75), Inventors, please add --Wayne A. Shirk, Bellevue, WA--.

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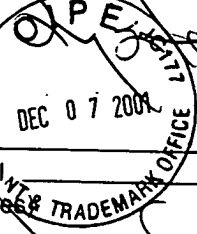


Serial No: 26224  
Applicant: Frakawa et al  
Title: Portable Game System and...

Atty: 115-24  
Date: 2-7-01  
Client: 723 985  
Ref: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pages Specification
- \_\_\_\_\_ Claims
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sheets Drawings: Formal \_\_\_\_\_ Informal \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 Declaration 11 Pages 11
- 11 Assignment 11
- \_\_\_\_\_ Priority Document
- 11 Base Issue Fee Transmittal
- 11 Fee (Check)

Other: Grant Invention Under 37 CFR  
1.05(a); Statement/Invention Link; Consent of Assignee





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ARAKAWA et al.

Atty. Ref.: 723-985

Serial No.: 09/726,224

Art Unit: 3713

Filed: November 28, 2000

Examiner: TBA

For: PORTABLE GAME SYSTEM AND  
CAMERA ACCESSORY THEREFOR

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December 7, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(a)**

Sir:

Petition is hereby made to correct the inventorship of the above-identified patent application to add Wayne A. Shirk of Bellevue, Washington to the list of inventors.

The inventorship error occurred without deceptive intention on the part of Mr. Shirk.

In support of this Petition, we attach (1) a Statement of Wayne A. Shirk Under 37 CFR 1.48(a); (2) an executed declaration by the actual inventors; (3) the fee of \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i); and, (4) the written consent of the assignee to add Mr. Shirk as an inventor.

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**STATEMENT OF WAYNE A. SHIRK UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(a)**

Sir:

I, Wayne A. Shirk, state, based on my own personal knowledge and belief, that the error of omitting me as an inventor on the subject patent application occurred without deceptive intention on my part.

Dated: 11/27/01

Wayne A. Shirk  
Wayne A. SHIRK



**RULE 63 (37 C.F.R. 1.63)**  
**INVENTORS DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**PORTABLE GAME SYSTEM AND CAMERA ACCESSORY THEREFOR**

the specification of which (check applicable box(es)):

- ☐ is attached hereto  
☒ was filed on November 28, 2000 as U.S. Application Serial No. 09/726,224 (Atty Dkt. No. 723-985)  
☐ was filed as PCT International application No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 and (if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) was amended on \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

Priority Foreign Application(s):	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
Application Number		

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number	Date/Month/Year Filed
60/190,555	March 20, 2000

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of all prior United States and PCT international applications listed above or below:

Prior U.S./PCT Application(s):	Day/Month/Year Filed	Status: patented pending, abandoned
Application Serial No.		

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. And on behalf of the owner(s) hereof, I hereby appoint **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Rd., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, telephone number (703) 816-4000 (to whom all communications are to be directed)**, and the following attorneys thereof (of the same address) individually and collectively owner's/owners' attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent: Larry S. Nixon, 25640; Arthur R. Crawford, 25327; James T. Hosmer, 30184; Robert W. Faris, 31352; Richard G. Besha, 22770; Mark E. Nusbaum, 32348; Michael J. Keenan, 32106; Bryan H. Davidson, 30251; Stanley C. Spooner, 27393; Leonard C. Mitchard, 29009; Duane M. Byers, 33363; Jeffrey H. Nelson, 30481; John R. Lastova, 33149; H. Warren Burnam, Jr. 29366; Mary J. Wilson, 32955; J. Scott Davidson, 33489; Alan M. Kagen, 36178; Robert A. Molan, 29834; B. J. Sadoff, 36663; James D. Berquist, 34776; Updeep S. Gill, 37334; Michael J. Shea, 34725; Donald L. Jackson, 41090; Michelle N. Lester, 32331; Frank P. Presta, 19828; Joseph S. Presta, 35329; Joseph A. Rhoa, 37515; Raymond Y. Mah, 41426; Chris Comuntzis, 31097; Gary T. Tanigawa, 43180. I also authorize Nixon & Vanderhye to delete any attorney names/numbers no longer with the firm and to act and rely solely on instructions directly communicated from the person, assignee, attorney, firm, or other organization sending instructions to Nixon & Vanderhye on behalf of the owner(s).

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| 1. | Inventor's Signature: <u><i>Minoru ARAKAWA</i></u>  | Date: <u>Nov 27, 2001</u>    |
|    | Inventor: <u>Minoru</u> <u>ARAKAWA</u><br>(first) (last)  | <u>U.S.</u><br>(citizenship) |
|    | Residence: (city) <u>Medina</u> (state/country) <u>Washington</u>   |                              |
|    | Mailing Address: <u>c/o Nintendo of America Inc., 4820 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington</u> |                              |
|    | (Zip Code) <u>98052</u>   |                              |
| 2. | Inventor's Signature: <u><i>Donald W. JAMES</i></u>   | Date: <u>Nov 27, 2001</u>    |
|    | Inventor: <u>Donald</u> <u>W. JAMES</u><br>(first) (last)   | <u>U.S.</u><br>(citizenship) |
|    | Residence: (city) <u>Kirkland</u> (state/country) <u>Washington</u>   |                              |
|    | Mailing Address: <u>c/o Nintendo of America Inc., 4820 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington</u> |                              |
|    | (Zip Code) <u>98052</u>   |                              |

☒ See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!!

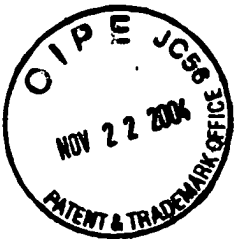
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3.	Inventor's Signature: <u>David J. McCarter</u>	Date: <u>11-27-01</u>
	Inventor: <u>David</u> <u>MI</u> <u>McCARTEN</u> <u>U.S.</u>	(first) (last) (citizenship)
	Residence: (city) <u>Bothell</u> (state/country) <u>Washington</u>	
	Mailing Address: <u>c/o Nintendo of America Inc., 4820 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington</u>	
	(Zip Code) <u>98052</u>	
4.	Inventor's Signature: <u>Wayne A. Shirk</u>	Date: <u>11-27-01</u>
	Inventor: <u>Wayne</u> <u>A.</u> <u>SHIRK</u> <u>U.S.</u>	(first) (last) (citizenship)
	Residence: (city) <u>Bellevue</u> (state/country) <u>Washington</u>	
	Mailing Address: <u>c/o Nintendo of America Inc., 4820 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue, N.E., Redmond, Washington</u>	
	(Zip Code) <u>98052</u>	
5.	Inventor's Signature: _____	Date: _____
	Inventor: _____	(first) (last) (citizenship)
	Residence: (city) _____ (state/country) _____	
	Mailing Address: _____	
	(Zip Code) _____	
6.	Inventor's Signature: _____	Date: _____
	Inventor: _____	(first) (last) (citizenship)
	Residence: (city) _____ (state/country) _____	
	Mailing Address: _____	
	(Zip Code) _____	

FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, check box ☐ and attach sheet with same information and signature and date for each.

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE**

Sir:

I, Akio Tsuji, am authorized to act on behalf of  
Nintendo Co., Ltd., assignee of the entire right, title and interest of Application  
No. 09/7256,224, and hereby consent to add Wayne A. Shirk as an inventor.

**Nintendo Co., Ltd.**

Dated: December 3, 2001

By: Akio Tsuji  
Title: Senior Managing Director

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RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET

PATENTS ONLY

Our Ref.: 723-985

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Box Assignment, Washington, D.C. 20231

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

<p>1. Name of conveying party(ies): Wayne A. SHIRK</p> <p>Additional name/s of conveying party/ies attached? <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Nature of conveyance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger <input type="checkbox"/> Security Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>Execution Date: November 27, 2001</p>		<p>2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):</p> <p>Name: Nintendo of America Inc. Internal Address: Street Address: 4820 150th Avenue, N.E. City: Redmond State/Country: Washington Zip: 98052</p> <p>Additional name/s &amp; address/es attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>					
<p>4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is:</p> <table border="0"><tr><td>A. Patent Application No(s). (1) 09/726,224 (2) 60/190,555 (3)</td><td>B. Patent No(s). (1) (2) (3)</td></tr></table> <p>Additional numbers attached <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>				A. Patent Application No(s). (1) 09/726,224 (2) 60/190,555 (3)	B. Patent No(s). (1) (2) (3)		
A. Patent Application No(s). (1) 09/726,224 (2) 60/190,555 (3)	B. Patent No(s). (1) (2) (3)						
<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: Michael J. Shea Internal Address: Street Address: Nixon &amp; Vanderhye P.C. 1100 North Glebe Road 8<sup>th</sup> Floor City: Arlington State: VA Zip: 22201</p>		<p>6. Total number of applications &amp; patents involved: 1</p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 80.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account #14-1140</p> <p>8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper thereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.</p>					
<p>DO NOT USE THIS SPACE</p>							
<p>9. Statements and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.</p> <table border="0"><tr><td>Michael J. Shea Name of Person Signing Reg. No. 34,725</td><td> Signature</td><td>December 7, 2001 Date</td><td></td></tr></table> <p>Total number of pages including original cover sheet, attachments, and document: [3]</p>				Michael J. Shea Name of Person Signing Reg. No. 34,725	 Signature	December 7, 2001 Date	
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### **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, Wayne A. Shirk of Bellevue, Washington, (hereinafter ASSIGNOR), has invented a certain improvement in **PORTABLE GAME SYSTEM AND CAMERA ACCESSORY THEREFOR** for which a provisional application was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 20, 2000 under Application No. 60/190,555 and for which a so-entitled application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 28, 2000 under Application No. 09/726,224;

WHEREAS, Nintendo of America Inc. (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Washington and doing business at 4820 150<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.E., Redmond, Washington 98052, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNOR by these presents hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, ASSIGNOR'S entire right, title and interest, in the United States and all foreign countries, to the invention as described in the aforesaid applications and to the aforesaid applications, all subsequent applications based thereon (including any and all continuing applications, reissues, re-examinations, and substitutes of the aforesaid application), and all resulting patents, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and any other applicable international agreements, and the said ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, for the sole use and behoof of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives. It is understood and agreed that ASSIGNEE'S attorneys Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. have represented only ASSIGNEE and will continue to represent only ASSIGNEE with respect to this invention;

ASSIGNOR hereby agrees to transfer a like interest upon request of said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, and without further remuneration, in and to any improvements, and applications for patents based thereon, growing out of or related to the said invention; and to execute any papers by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, deemed essential to ASSIGNEE'S full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred; and

ASSIGNOR agrees, further, upon request of ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by ASSIGNEE, for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in ASSIGNEE.

AGREED and executed as noted below:

11/21/2001  
Date

Wayne A. Shirk  
Wayne A Shirk